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SUBJ: FOREIGN MINISTERS ISSUE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON PORTUGUESE  
SITUATION

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1. SUMMARY: FOUR AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS ISSUED JOINT  
COMMUNIQUE MAY 9 ON CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN PORTUGAL. COMMUNIQUE  
CRITICIZED PORTUGAL FOR NOT CLEARLY INDICATING ITS WILLINGNESS TO  
ALLOW SELF-DETERMINATION IN AFRICAN TERRITORIES. ALSO CALLED ON  
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO INTENSIFY ARMED ACTIVITY. END SUMMARY.

2. FOREIGN MINISTERS OF TANZANIA, ZAMBIA, ZAIRE AND CONGO  
COMPLETED TWO-DAY MEETING IN DAR ES SALAAM MAY 9. AT CONCLUSION  
OF SESSION AFRICAN LIBERATION COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,  
HASHIM MBITA, READ COMMUNIQUE AT PRESS CONFERENCE. TEXT FOLLOWS:  
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3. QUOTE: A MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CONGO, THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE, AND THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA WAS HELD IN DAR ES SALAAM FROM 8TH TO 9TH MAY, 1974. THE FOUR MINISTERS, TOGETHER WITH THE DELEGATIONS FROM FRELIMO, FNLA, MPLA, AS WELL AS AS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY LIBERATION COMMITTEE, DISCUSSED AND REVIEWED THE QUESTION OF LIBERATION IN AFRICA AND PARTICULARLY TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE DOMINATION IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT POLITICAL CHANGES WHICH TOOK PLACE IN PORTUGAL BRINGING INTO POWER A MILITARY JUNTA LED BY GENERAL SPINOLA.

4. QTE: THE MILITARY JUNTA WHICH MASQUERADES UNDER THE BANNER OF PEACE AND DEMOCRACY MIGHT BE GOOD FOR THE PORTUGUESE PEOPLE. HOWEVER, FOR THE PEOPLE OF AFRICA, THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR REJOICING AT THIS JUNCTURE. FOR, THE JUNTA HAS NOT STATED CATEGORICALLY THE RECOGNITION OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND COMPLETE NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE FOR ANGOLA, GUINEA BISSAU AND MOZAMBIQUE.

5. QTE: THEREFORE, THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS MUST INTENSIFY THE ARMED STRUGGLE UNTIL EVERY INCH OF THEIR COUNTRIES IS LIBERATED. IN THE MEANTIME, THE FOREIGN MINISTERS EMPHASIZED THE URGENT NEED FOR EVERY KIND OF ASSISTANCE TO BE RENDERED TO THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE. THEY HAVE MADE A SPECIAL APPEAL TO THE FREEDOM-AND PEACE-LOVING PEOPLES OF THE WORLD TO RENDER ALL KINDS OF ASSISTANCE AS WELL AS POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC SUPPORT TO THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

6. QTE: TO THIS END, THE FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE EMPHATICALLY DECLARED THE COMMITMENT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS IN TOTAL TO ENSURE THE INTENSIFICATION OF THE ARMED STRUGGLE; AND WARNED THE SPINOLA REGIME THAT TIME HAS COME FOR A CATEGORICAL AND UNCONDITIONAL DECLARATION THAT PORTUGAL ACCEPTS THE PRINCIPLE OF COMPLETE NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE FOR ANGOLA, GUINEA-BISSAU AND MOZAMBIQUE. UNQUOTE.  
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